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SUBJ: PINOCHET ABOLISHES NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTORATE (DINA):
CREATES NATIONAL INFORMATION CENTER (CNI)

1. THE GOC ANNOUNCED MORNING OF AUGUST 12 THAT ON AUGUST 6
THE JUNTA HAD RESCINDED DECREE LAW 521 OF 1974 WHICH CREATED
DINA, "SINCE IT HAD CARRIED OUT THE FUNCTIONS ENVISIONED BY
THE DECREE." ACCORDINGLY DINA HAD BEEN ABOLISHED. THE
ANNOUNCEMENT ADDED THAT THE GOC HAD CREATED A NATIONAL
INFORMATION CENTER (CNI) AS "A SPECIALIZED ORGANIZATION TO
COMPILE INFORMATION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL FOR ADOPTION OF
THE MEASURES NECESSARY TO SAFEGUARD THE INTERNAL SECURITY OF
THE SOCIETY."

2. COMMENT: ASSISTANT SECRETARY TERENCE TODMAN AND CHARGE WILL
BE MEETING THIS AFTERNOON WITH INTERIOR MINISTER
BENAVIDES AND PRESIDENT PINOCHET AND WILL SEEK
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CLARIFICATION OF THE INTENT AND LIKELY IMPLICATIONS OF
THE ANNOUNCEMENT. PENDING THESE CLARIFICATIONS WE WILL HAVE
NO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

3. THE GOC MAY HAVE STRIPPED DINA OF ITS ARREST/DETENTION
POWERS AND TRANSFERRED THE INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION FUNCTION
TO THE NEW ORGANIZATION. HOW THE PROPOSED NEW ORGANIZATION

WILL FIT INTO THE SYSTEM, AND WHAT ITS LEGAL MANDATE IS ARE IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS. MORE IMPORTANT, OF COURSE, WILL BE THE PRACTICAL EFFECT OF THE MEASURES. WE WILL BE ASKING THESE QUESTIONS AND INQUIRING ABOUT COL CONTRERAS' FUTURE THIS AFTERNOON.

4. HERETOFORE, WHEN THE GOC HAS BENT TO EXTERNAL PRESSURES (E.G. SIMON VISIT, OAS MEETING, AND UNGA PRISONER RELEASES LAST YEAR) IT HAS MADE CONSIDERABLE, ALBEIT CONTRIVED, EFFORTS TO DOWNPLAY EXTERNAL FACTORS. THIS TIME, IN CONTRAST, THE GOC HAS LEFT THE CLEAR IMPRESSION THAT THE MEASURE IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE TODMAN VISIT.
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